### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 1, after the title, insert the following heading and paragraph:

# CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of International Application No. PCT/EP02/07851 filed July 15, 2002, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference, which claims priority to German Patent Application No. 101 35 793.1 filed July 23, 2001, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Page 1, Line 4, insert the following new heading:

#### **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Replace the paragraph beginning on Page 1, Line 5, with the following new paragraph:

The invention relates to a hydraulic fluid container for a vehicle hydraulic brake system, having at least one connecting sleeve, in which there is displaceably guided a valve member, which in a first position, into which it is spring-biased, blocks the connecting sleeve and which in a second position clears the connecting sleeve. Such a hydraulic fluid container is known from DE 39 12 110 A1, and corresponding GB Patent No. 2 230 831, both of which are incorporated by reference herein.

# Page 2, Line 3, insert the following new heading: SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 5, delete Lines 36 - 38.

Page 6, line 1, insert the following new heading:

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 6, Line 13, insert the following new heading:

### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Page 8, after Line 22, insert the following paragraph:

In accordance with the provisions of the patent statutes, the principle and mode of operation of this invention have been explained and illustrated in its preferred embodiment. However, it must be understood that this invention may be practiced otherwise than as specifically explained and illustrated without departing from its spirit or scope.

Page 9, Line 2, insert the following introductory phrase:

What is claimed is:

Page 12, Line 3, delete the heading:

Hydraulic fluid container for a vehicle hydraulic brake system

Page 12, Line 16, delete (Fig. 1).